

We welcome the New Year with updates; reviews and opportunities for regionalism seem to be growing.

At our annual organizational meeting we appointed the following committee assignments for our board members.

Assessment	McCulley, Stein
Audit	Smith, Stein
Building	DeFazio, McCulley
Cemetery	Merica, McCulley
Computer/IT	McCulley, Smith
Court	Smith, DeFazio
GAM	Stein, Smith
Highway	DeFazio, Merica
Insurance	Merica, Stein
Transfer/Recycle	Merica, McCulley, Roth
Parks/Rec	DeFazio, Smith
Personnel	Smith, Merica
Planning/Zoning	McCulley, Merica
Public Safety	Entire Board, Roth
Town/School/Village	Stein, DeFazio
Water/Sewer	Stein, DeFazio

Committee chairmen are expected to report at one regular business meeting per month. Participation at committee meetings is encouraged. *committee chair is listed first as assigned. Please feel free to contact any board member with concerns, questions and suggestions. We are here to serve the needs of our community.

We reviewed and updated our procurement and travel policy making slight changes to both. Investment policy stands with no changes necessary. These reviews are part of our compliance testing with the New York State Comptroller and annual audit by CPA firm.

We look forward to open discussions with other local municipalities for opportunities to share expertise, services and programs, while maintaining local presence. Enhanced community viability is a common goal with these discussions. We continue our regular meetings with our local partners, of the school and village too. Sharing resources to accomplish maximum value for our investment.

In planning department, we have some movement on the unified code and zoning plan. The work plan has been submitted to Secretary of State for approval, once received we will share the work plan format, call public meetings seeking your input and move forward to establishing one unified code for LeRoy. A recent suggestion is the creation of an Agriculture Zone to be added to our zone classifications. This idea is timed to fit this work plan for zone unification. Other suggestions will be gladly accepted as the process moves forward. We look forward to the work

involved in joining the code and zoning for the community and working with John Steinmetz as the facilitator.

Code Officer Sinclair reports that abandoned cars are creeping into our community once again as the wintertime is here. Junk cars are unlicensed and unfit for use on a public highway by our code. Please note that Code Officer is traveling our community weekly and taking action as violations show themselves. As a community proud of its visual impact, this weekly review is helpful in keeping up with situations before it is costly to prosecute as the final available remediation.

Town Clerk is collecting taxes through the months of January – March. Taxes that are not received by January 31, 2006 are subject to penalty. Please refer to your tax bill for the penalty amount. Taxes can be paid at Town Clerk window Monday-Friday 8:30 AM- 4:30 PM and Thursdays until 7:00 PM during the month of January only. Homeowners with escrow account need to verify tax payment with the escrow agent.

Transfer Station Punch Cards are available in the \$15.00 and \$30.00 denominations. No cash is accepted at the Transfer Station as a matter of Town fiscal policy. Transfer Station is located on Circular Hill Road and open on Saturdays 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Recyclables are at no charge. 33-gallon bags are one punch or \$1.50 value on your punch card.

Additional littering has been noticed around our community lately. As a reminder, roadside trash is inspected for owner identification and prosecution closely follows. Littering fines in LeRoy are not to exceed \$250.00. We have requested increased enforcement for littering violators.

Assessment news, Town Board has appointed Robert Boyce to serve out the unexpired term of Andrea Barber on the Board of Assessment Review. We look forward having Bob serve our community in this capacity. He will serve with Richard Prinzi and David Frost on the BAR. Appointments to the BAR are three years in length.

Recreation committee is working diligently to formulate the role of a part time Recreation Director roles and responsibility. The committee is committed to providing a full schedule of programs for the summer. Currently, the youth basketball program is being provided by cooperation between volunteer coordinator, recreation committee and volunteer coaches. We all need to be aware of the change from a full time recreation director to a part time director and be responsible to meeting deadlines as imposed. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in taking care to meet deadlines for program sign ups. If you have suggestions or concerns please contact our recreation committee folks.

As to Town Board activity:

A public hearing was held to hear comments about establishment of Water District Extension #3 on Asbury Road. 5 landowners in the proposed district spoke on the formation and need for water quality and quantity. Adjacent landowners shared their views on the encroachment of sprawl into the agricultural areas in the community. All of the public comments will be included

in the transcript sent on to NYS Comptroller for consideration of allowing this high cost water district.

For the proposed Water District on parts of Randall and Keeney Roads, Extension #8, neighbors in the district have helped to formulate a fact and information sheet to pass with the formal petition. Hopefully this sheet and map will be an aid to folks that have not taken advantage of the public information meetings and public hearings held on this proposed district to make an informed decision.

Water District formation is a function of landowners requesting a public water supply that is affordable by the landowners in the prescribed area. Town Board is the legal conduit necessary to create a legal entity for the construction, debt issuance and bond repayment.

Drainage in the northwest section of Town is still a priority. County Highway was able to perform some ditch cleaning and opening up of the ditch that has most of the activity. It is reasonable to assume that the Army Corp of Engineers will be making recommendations or a decision soon. After which, NYS DEC must concur. Then the approved plan can be put into action. It is wise to note that we still have flood plain issues that cannot be mitigated through the drainage plan. 90% of the township is classified as flood plain due to the Oatka Creek watershed covering most of our community.

We welcome new business to town this month, transfer of land for expansion and future plans for some idle buildings. Investment in LeRoy is occurring gradually, and is welcomed by the community as a whole. Thank you to those who choose to make LeRoy home to family and business.

As a reminder Town Hall and Highway Garage will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2006 in observance of Martin Luther King Day. Please make all necessary arrangements to complete your Town business on an alternate date.

Regularly scheduled meeting for Town board are the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month at 7:00 PM. Planning Board meets at 7:30 PM at Town Hall on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Please contact Code/Zone Officer Sinclair to be placed on the agenda and ensure paperwork is in order. Zoning Board of Appeals meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at Village Hall at 7:00 PM. All meetings are open to the public. Please join us as your schedule allows.

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